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Docket No.: 58686US003 (Formerly F.003)

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of:

LAWRENCE XAVIER WEBB, M.D.

Serial No.: 09/553,683
Filed: April 21, 2000

For: SURGICAL TARGETING SYSTEM

Group Art Unit: 3737

Examiner: E.M. Mercader

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

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The deadline for filing a response to the Notice of Appeal mailed January 15, 2003 originally required a reply by March 15, 2003.

Applicant desires additional time to respond to the Notice of Appeal, and therefore requests that the deadline for reply to the Office Action be extended under the provisions of Rule 136(a) to May 15, 2003. Authorization is hereby provided to charge any fee required in connection with this paper, including the \$410.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) for consideration of this extension to Account No. 13-3723. A duplicate copy of this sheet is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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